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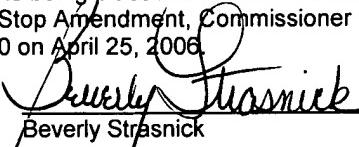
**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 CFR §1.136(a)**

Docket No. E0001/7056

Applicant: Paul J. Thompson and Nathan T. Lee
Serial No: 09/955,351
Filed: September 17, 2001
For: STENT WITH OFFSET CELL GEOMETRY
Examiner: Michael H. Thaler
Art Unit: 3731

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This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response in the above-identified application up to, and including, April 25, 2006.

Small Entity

Applicant claims small entity status

Extension

The requested extension and the appropriate fee are as follows:

- One month (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1))
 Two months (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(2))
 Three months (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3)) \$1020.00
 Four months (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(4))
 Five months (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(5))

Reduction by one-half for request by small entity

Total Fee: \$1,020.00

Payment

- A check in the amount of the extension fee is enclosed.
 The extension fee is included in a fee payment made in connection with papers accompanying this petition.

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Payment

- Check in the amount of the total filing fee.
 Charge Account No. in the amount of the total filing fee. A duplicate of this transmittal sheet is attached.

Authorization to Charge Additional Fees

- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 and §1.17 required by the attached paper and during the entire pendency of this application to Account No. 02-3038.

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